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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text  
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official  
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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Date: 16 Aug 1994 23:53:02 GMT  
From: pa.dec.com!oleum.zso.dec.com!robin@decwrl.dec.com  
Subject: ADVICE on NEW HF rig wanted  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hi,

I have been out of the HF rig buying scene for about 10 years, since  
I have never had any reason to update my ageing FT301D. However in view  
of the VAST differences between UK and US pricing, I think it's time to  
make the change.

Does anyone have any recommendations/reviews on the more popular HF rigs, I particularly like the look of the TS-50, primarily as I like to do HF mobile work. A friend also said the Ts850 or 450 were 'good'.

Since I am not a code operator some of the bells and whistles may not be applicable.

I realise that this is a vast subject but am primarily I guess looking for personal experiences, reliability is also a prime concern as I will be taking it back to the UK soon.

Thanks

Robin

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Subject: Building a J-Pole Antenna  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I'm sorry if this has been requested before. I went looking for a better anternna for my HT and someone suggested I just build a j-pole for home use. I don't really know where to look for instructions. If someone has instructions/parts list I would really appreciate a copy.

Paul

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Subject: clip art for QSL card  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1994Aug16.204102.24608@desire.wright.edu>,  
<nyoung@desire.wright.edu> wrote:  
>Just for the sake of starting a flame session,

[deleted]

>Flame on. I'm like beyond bother at this point.

Ooh. What you said, it makes me so mad. Ooh. Ooh. Flame. Flame. Flame.

This has been a flame.

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Mike Cummings NX7E cummings@u.washington.edu  
"When you die, if you get a choice between going to regular heaven or pie  
heaven, choose pie heaven. It might be a trick, but if it's not,  
ummmmm, boy." - Jack Handey, a new spin on Pascal's Wager

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yeshua.marcam.com!news.kei.com!eff!news.duke.edu!concert!inxs.concert.net!  
taco.cc.ncsu.edu!csemail@ihnp4.ucsd.edu  
Subject: CWIST Reminder --- Mini-Post Version  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

OK, folks, here is the weekly mini-posting reminder for the CWISTS.....

Note that all hands meet on the appointed 40 meter QRG at midnight  
>>>> YOUR QTH <<<< local time. That will maximize the available  
folks across +- 3 time zones of anyone's QTH at YOUR midnight hour.  
Others can come and go earlier or later as may suit their habits.

The alternate QRG if the 40 meter one of 7102R5 khz fails is  
is 3702R5 khz. (How can 40 meters fail us....?).

We are working on a EurAsian QRG for the rest of the world. More to  
follow at a later time when the EurAsian ops get back with me.

73 TU SU SK DE NA4G  
Bob

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FM NA4G

TO ALL CW OPS WORLDWIDE BT  
CWIST FRIDAY NIGHT FIST FUNCTION.  
ALL HANDS QSW/QSX 3702.5/7102.5KHZ MIDNIGHT YOUR LOCAL TIME FRIDAY NIGHT.  
GET ON THE AIR AND ENJOY A PLAIN CW EVENING ON THE 40/80 METER BANDS.  
USE A REAL HAND KEY (A STRAIGHT SENDING IRON OR BUG IS ENCOURAGED).  
A VERY SIMPLE VERY INFORMAL NET STYLE FORMAT WILL BE UTILIZED.  
WHEN THE CONTROL STATION INVITES CHECKINS, CALL CWIST DE YOURCALL K.  
YOU WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED AND PLACED IN LINE FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
IF NO NET CONTROL IS ABOARD THEN SIMPLY START THE CALL YOURSELF.  
ENJOY OLD-TIME AMATEUR RADIO AND TRY SOME FRIENDLY BRASS POUNDING.  
EXCHANGE MORE THAN RST QTH NAME HELLO AND GOODBYE.  
HELP ALONG THE NEW HAMS ON CW TO GET THEIR SPEED UP.  
TELL A FAIR YARN OR TWO AMONG FELLOW CWISTS AND RAGCHEW A LITTLE WHILE.  
TELL SOME HISTORY ABOUT THE OLD-TIME DAYS AND YOUR EXPERIENCES IN RADIO.  
IF YOU ARE AN OLD TIMER PLEASE JOIN IN AND SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES.  
IF YOU WERE EVER A PROFESSIONAL PLEASE JOIN IN AND SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES.  
OLD SPARKERS WHO HAVE PLIED THE HIGH SEAS ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME.  
OLD CHOPS FROM ALL QTA/QTH ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME.  
NEW FOLKS AND THE YOUNG SQUIRTS ON THE BLOCK ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME.  
USE BOATANCHOR GEAR IF YOU HAVE IT AVAILABLE OR WHATEVER YOU HAVE.  
SEE YOU THERE OM/YL.  
73 TU SU DE NA4G BOB AR

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\* May you have fair winds and following seas on your watch at the key. \*  
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Date: Thu, 18 Aug 1994 14:20:59  
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!  
europa.eng.gtefsd.com!sundog.tiac.net!news.sprintlink.net!indirect.com!  
s146.phxslip.indirect.com!lenwink@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Ham Radio & More  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>Len,  
> Any chance you could post a list of the stations carrying the show?

>John

I posted it earlier today again. Hope you saw it. If not, e'mail me & I'll send you one.  
73, Len, KB7LPW

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Date: 19 Aug 94 10:35:30 GMT

From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu  
Subject: Handicap Hams  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Do you know a Ham or a want-to-be Ham that has a handi-cap?  
Well, I do. He is also a member of ARRL and his handi-cap is  
that he is blind. I know that he has possibly held a QSO with  
a large bunch of brother and sister Hams all over the U.S. and the  
world. Well, that isn't the problem.....

As a Blind Ham being an ARRL member he doesn't receive QST like  
the rest of us who has been blessed with sight.

With the fall ARRL board meeting approaching, I would like all ARRL  
members to write, call or talk to your SM's and Directors to make  
QST available in an electronic format that they can either down load  
or receive by S-Mail for their enjoyment. I know that I have enjoyed  
reading the articles contained in QST and I know that the Vision Impaired  
Hams would like to enjoy those articles as well.

This electronic format must be made to where it can be read by a text  
reader so it can voice out the words so that they can read QST with  
their ears.

Join the call and contact the ARRL/Directors to start such a mediam  
and maybe the other Amateur Radio related publications will follow  
the ARRL's lead.

Thats all for now.

73

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PS: Hi Tom WD4RWU

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yeshua.marcam.com!zip.eecs.umich.edu!newsxfer.itd.umich.edu!nntp.cs.ubc.ca!  
unixg.ubc.ca!prodigy.@ihnp4.ucsd.edu  
Subject: How to Use An Auto Patch  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Since I'm new to radio and don't really know any fellow amateurs I turn  
to the net for assistance:

I've noticed that a few local repeaters have autopatches that are open (or at least not marked closed). Is there a standard means of accessing them? Does anyone have suggestions?

Thanks,

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Date: 17 Aug 1994 19:47:41 GMT  
From: hplextra!news.dtc.hp.com!col.hp.com!jwc@hplabs.hpl.hp.com  
Subject: How to Use An Auto Patch  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Paul Antaki (pantaki@prodigy.bc.ca) wrote:  
: Since I'm new to radio and don't really know any fellow amateurs I turn  
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: I've noticed that a few local repeaters have autopatches that are open  
: (or at least not marked closed). Is there a standard means of accessing  
: them? Does anyone have suggestions?

Just because the repeater is open, doesn't mean the autopatch is.

It's only fair to talk to the repeater custodians before even trying to access the "autopatch".

Repeaters cost a lot to put up and maintain and it's only right to help with that cost when using it on a daily or weekly basis.

We operate 3 open repeaters, 2 of which have phonepatches. The phone patches are for members only. This is the way we are sure of having the funds to repair/replace the equipment. We have many members that never use the autopatch but still pay their 20 bucks a year to make sure they stay there.

Talk to other users on the air or just ask if there is a "custodian" or membership person available. I'm sure some will be glad to help.

73, John, N0KIC, Membership, PPFMA Colorado Springs Co.

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jericho.mc.com!fugu!levine@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: KA-PK Gold  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article 3pz@eskimo.com, ranger@eskimo.com (Richard Berndt) writes:

-->Has anyone received a notice of upgrades on PKGOLD or KAGOLD.  
-->It seems that there has been many since Version 9 date 3-15-94  
-->and REGISTERED users are \*\*NOT\*\* notified like other commercial  
-->software.  
-->It seems that they now have more upgrades than AEA eproms. Its  
-->seems We the users must keep updated ourself by AT&T. At nearly  
-->\$100.00 per-model version we could get notified. My mailbox is  
-->always full of upgrade notices from other les costly software  
-->companys.  
-->..  
-->73  
-->Richard N7VWJ  
-->..  
-->AMPRnet n7vwj.ampr.org  
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I agree. It is great software and generally good support but  
their non-notification of versions (usually fixing a problem)  
is not published. There is no excuse since they are on  
the internet and Compuserve. It would certainly be handy  
to ftp the new version from some site or have it available  
on Compuserve.

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europa.eng.gtefsd.com!uhog.mit.edu!news.kei.com!ssd.intel.com!chnews!  
news@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Need 9600 baud mod info for IC271/471

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Im looking for 9600 baud modification info for the ICOM 271 & 471.

Thanks & 73s,  
Tom WB7ASR...

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charnel.ecst.csuchico.edu!yeshua.marcam.com!news.kei.com!eff!wariat.org!  
malgudi.oar.net!witch!ted!mjsilva@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Ragchewing conversational protocol  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <fkilpatr.777054926@afit.af.mil>, Freeman A. Kilpatrick  
(fkilpatr@afit.af.mil) writes:

>Hi All!

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>I just got my license a few weeks ago, and I noticed a  
>conversational oddity that I hadn't expected. The simplex  
>nature of conversation is kind of difficult to get used to.  
>When ragchewing, you \*have\* to say something when the other  
>person unkeys their mike. This is in contrast to normal  
>conversation, where a person will usually continue to talk  
>if a response is not elicited. Sometimes the person I'm  
>talking to will stop talking, and I won't have anything to  
>say. I feel like I can't just sit there, so I have to come  
>up with some banal comment or something.

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>Obviously, this phenomena is less of a problem when there  
>is an actual purpose to the QSO (like a contest or something).  
>I'm curious to learn if anyone else has this problem, or are  
>most people simply too talkative anyway? I'm currently taking  
>a linguistics course, and we will be studying 'conversation  
>analysis' in a few weeks. I'll report back if I find any  
>theoretical foundation for this type of conversation anomaly.

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A simple solution to this is to keep asking questions. If the other  
guy says he just finished feeding the chickens, ask him why he keeps  
chickens, how many, is it easy, does he have a problem with predators,  
etc. It's an easy technique and you learn all kinds of interesting  
stuff.

Mike, KK6GM



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newsxfer.itd.umich.edu!isclient.merit.edu!@@ihnp4.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Repeater Directory On-Line  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>You say that there is a copy on line someplace on the INTERNET?  
>Where is it located. I've looked and I am unable to find it.  
>I'm sure I am not the only Ham looking.....

As far as I know, the only directory of its sort is at  
mipg.upenn.edu:/pub/yee/rptr010.Z

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Medical Image Processing Group | 73 de Conway Yee, N2JWQ  
411 Blockley Hall | EMAIL : yee@mipg.upenn.edu  
423 Guardian Drive | TELEPHONE : 1 (215) 662-6780  
Philadelphia, PA 19104-6021 (USA) | FAX : 1 (215) 898-9145

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Date: 18 Aug 1994 21:34:51 GMT  
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sundog.tiac.net!news.sprintlink.net!indirect.com!usenet@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Station List  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Ham Radio & More Station List:  
The following list can change often....

Alabama: WHRT, 860am, Hartselle  
WAJF, 1490am, Decatur  
Arizona: KFNN, 1510am, Phoenix  
Colorado: KBCO, 1190am, Denver/Boulder  
Conneticut: WATR, 1320am, Hartford  
Illinois: WKTA, 1330am, Chicago  
WBGZ, 1570am, Alton  
Indiana: WIWO, 1580am, So. Bend (tape delay)  
WPDJ, 1300am, Huntington/Ft. Wayne  
Massach: WSSH, 1510am, Boston (50,000 watts)  
WKPE, 1170am, Orleans  
Missouri: WBGZ, 1570am, St. Louis  
Mississippi: WVMJ, 570am, Biloxi  
N. Carolina: WEEB, 990am, Fayetteville

WCRY, 1460am, Raleigh/Durham  
WNCT, 1070am, Greenville  
Nebraska: KICS, 1550am, Lincoln  
New Jersey: WIFI, 1460am, Trenton/Philadelphia  
Oklahoma: KTMC, 1400am, McAlester  
Texas: KSEY, 94.3fm, Seymour

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73, Len, KB7LPW

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